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To: Community Care for the Aged and Disabled (CCAD)

Day Activity and Health Services (DAHS) Providers

Subject: Long Term Care (LTC)

Information Letter No. 02-11

ICFMR Client Requests for DAHS Services

A number of clients have been identified as receiving both Day Activity and Health Services (DAHS) and services in Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICFMR) facilities. Please reference Texas Administrative Code §48.2907(b), which states:

"Regardless of a client's functional eligibility, as determined by his score on the client needs assessment questionnaire, he receives Community Care for Aged and Disabled services only if he has an unmet need for those services."

ICFMR clients would not meet the eligibility requirement that the client must have an unmet need for services. ICFMR facilities are contractually required to provide all the services that DAHS is able to provide.

A DAHS facility should not process a facility-initiated referral on clients residing in ICFMR facilities. A DAHS facility that receives a referral from a Texas Department of Human Services caseworker on a resident of an ICFMR facility should immediately contact the caseworker to discuss the referral.

An electronic version of this letter, as well as past Community Care Information Letters can be accessed at http://www.dhs.state.tx.us/programs/communitycare/infoletters/index.html.

Please contact your contract manager if you have any further questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

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